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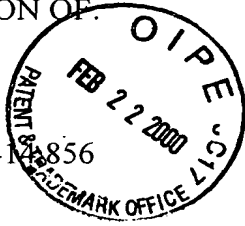
IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: DEVICE FOR STORING ENERGY
IN SPRING STORAGEES



: GROUP: 3613

: EXAMINER: Williams

ELECTION OF SPECIES

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 20, 2000 , please note the following remarks:

REMARKS

Applicant hereby elects for further prosecution Species H directed to directed to Figures 15 and 16 with traverse. Applicant further submits that each of the pending claims is readable on the elected species. In view of the fact that each of the pending claims are readable on the elected species, withdrawal of the restriction requirement is felt to be in order and the same is hereby respectfully requested. This is also requested in view of the fact that it is not believed that the election of species requirement serves to adequately demonstrate that the species listed do not relate to a single general inventive concept. In this regard, Applicant wishes to note that the two spring solution provided by the present invention is important, i.e. two springs of the four springs in Figures 16 are sufficient for obtaining the present invention's results. The resulting diagram is similar to Figure 7. However, the bias in Figure 7 may not need to be provided, as is indicated by point 70 in Figure 15.

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